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OFFICE MISSION STATEMENT

Use an all-hazards approach to help the City of Cleveland prevent, protect, respond to, and recover from major events in order to minimize impact on lives, property, and economy.

OFFICE OBJECTIVES

1. Implement National Incident Management System (NIMS) and National Response Plan (NRP).
2. Strengthen interoperable communications capabilities.
3. Strengthen information sharing and collaboration capabilities.
4. Strengthen Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear, and Explosives (CBRNE) detection, response, and decontamination.

The City of Cleveland participates in the United States Department of Homeland Security (DHS) grant program, which targets state and local jurisdictions for the enhanced preparation for, prevention of, and response to terrorist attacks and other disasters. Localities can use grants for planning, equipment, training, and exercise enhancement.

Cleveland has been successful in leveraging the grant money to enhance public safety services to the community.



Cuyahoga County DHS Awards

Below are the amounts of DHS funding allocated to the Cuyahoga County region and Cleveland's portion of this money since 2003, separated by fiscal year.

| Year | Regional Award | Cleveland Allocation |
|---------|----------------|----------------------|
| FY 2003 | \$5,868,371 | \$2,855,087 |
| FY 2004 | \$10,460,465 | \$5,199,374 |
| FY 2005 | \$7,385,100 | \$3,692,549 |
| Total | \$23,713,936 | \$11,747,010 |

Cleveland Accomplishments

The City has applied its allocated portion of DHS money to the following activities:

- Purchased a hazardous materials/decontamination vehicle.
- Purchased a mass casualty vehicle.
- Purchased ACU-1000, a device that connects disparate communication devices.
- Purchased 1,400 Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) items.
- Provided WMD training to over 1,700 Safety Personnel.



Public Safety Systems Automation Project (PSSAP)

A portion of the DHS money enabled the City to embark on a series of projects to enhance the Cleveland Department of Public Safety (CDPS) information systems. This effort, PSSAP, is a significant step for CDPS in its modernization of public safety systems. The new information systems are sought in order to reduce threats unique to urban areas with improved equipment and technology.

PSSAP INFORMATION SYSTEMS

Mobile Computing System

Connects public safety officers to federal, state, and county information in vehicles.

Records Management System (RMS)

Manages Police records and facilitates communication with law agencies.

Computer-Aided Dispatch (CAD)

Facilitates the dispatch of Fire/EMS and Police respondents to community needs.

MAJOR PSSAP ACCOMPLISHMENTS

March 2006 – Fire/EMS CAD and Mobile software cutover.
November 2005 – Police Mobile Computing System vendor selected.
October 2005 – Police RMS RFP released.
October 2005 – Police CAD System RFP completed.

PSSAP Objectives

The City is actively seeking to acquire efficient, secure, and cost-effective solutions for entering, sharing, managing, and using information within the City's Police and Fire/EMS operations.

| Project | Requirements Defined With User Groups | RFP | Contract Awarded | System Implemented |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-----------|------------------|--------------------|
| | | Published | | |
| Fire/EMS CAD and Mobile Replacement | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| Police Mobile Replacement | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | 2006 |
| Police RMS Replacement | ✓ | ✓ | 2007 | 2007 |
| Police CAD Replacement | ✓ | ✓ | 2007 | 2007 |

The main objective of PSSAP is to modernize the public safety information systems through the projects listed below.

PSSAP Fire/EMS CAD and Mobile Replacement Success

Unprecedented collaboration between the Cleveland Divisions of Fire and EMS led to the tremendous success of the CAD and Mobile system implementation. The two departments jointly sought proposals for software and vendor services. Cutover to the new software occurred on March 28, 2006.

The implementation of the Fire/EMS CAD software offers increased support for:

- Fire.
 - » 916 personnel
 - » 88 vehicles
 - » 27 firehouses
- EMS.
 - » 301 personnel
 - » 37 vehicles



EMS Dispatcher Richard Peacock works on the new CAD system.

The implementation of Mobile Data will be implemented on 140 mobile digital computers in Fire and EMS vehicles.

Police Mobile Software Implementation Under Way

The City is replacing the current Police Mobile software, while leveraging the currently deployed infrastructure and hardware to the greatest extent possible. A competitive procurement process began in August 2005; the City of Cleveland selected Datamaxx Applied Technologies, Inc., as the software provider for the new data systems. Cleveland and Datamaxx have been working together to prepare for the system implementation and expect system cutover to start at the end of the year.



A Mobile Data Computer system inside a police vehicle.

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